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Price: \$2.00 Per Year

United Church

Church School, 2 p.m.
This is to be a Missionary Sunday—a Missionary story will be told the boys and girls and missionary boxes will be distributed to all children who want them.

Public Worship, 7:30 p.m.
The cult of and purpose of worship is, not only to enrich those who worship, but to prepare and inspire them for service.

The Minister's message will deal with the service rendered by the underprivileged by the Women's Missionary Society.
Extra music of an appropriate nature will be rendered by the choir.

N. W. Whitmore, Minister.

A young Scotsman married an English girl. Sometime afterwards he paid a visit to a bachelor uncle in Scotland.

"Well," said the uncle, "I hear ye has gotten a wife, Sandy?"

"Yes, uncle, ye're right."

"What on she do? Can she knit? Does she mend your clothes?"

"No," answered Sandy to all these questions, "she does nothing like that."

"Humph," commented the uncle.

"Well, does she cook?" he asked after a few moments, "and can she milk a parrot?"

"No, uncle," the young man explained, "but you should hear her sing; she has the most beautiful voice you ever heard."

"Aye," replied the old man, "but man, could ye use her for a snanny?"

Wanted—Position as Housekeeper to townpeople or farm, well-experienced, good cook, takes full charge (no other woman kept).—Apply, Mrs. D. James, widow (have boy 18 years of age), Empress, Alberta.

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Local Hockey

The hockey virus has entered the veins of the younger members of the community. Teams have been formed and weekly games arranged.

High School and Town teams met on Tuesday; the students having a margin of goals of 4 to 1.

Later the same evening junior teams met in a tussle for supremacy.

In each game, combination was lacking by all of the teams.

Here and There

S. Janowski and B. Stanshauer, the former Polish immigrant delegate and the latter a delegate from the Polish Minister of Agriculture, are in Canada for a six-week study of farming conditions in western sections of the Dominion. They will also look into the distribution of work among the Polish colonies in Canada.

Four fishermen from the United States went fishing on the Ohio River, New Brunswick, for 13 days recently, and caught 340 fish. State Senator Bradford, of Indiana, caught a 40-lb salmon weighing 37 pounds. Others in the party were: Fred N. Peet, Dr. E. R. Zimmerman and D. H. Faxon. Only barbel hooks were used so that no fish were either killed or injured.

The second largest outdoor swimming pool in Canada has been opened at Lake Louise on the Terrace between the dining room of the Chateau and the Lake. The new pool is 100 feet long and 40 feet wide. It is surrounded by tall concrete columns between which there are gigantic sheets of plate glass, providing a wind break against cold breezes.

Approximately 120,000 live fish, fresh from American hatcheries, passed through Dominion Express Yards, Windsor Station, Montreal, recently, on their way to Beaulieu, Quebec. They will be used to stock private lakes in northern Quebec owned by wealthy citizens of the U.S.A., who prefer the virgin lakes and forests of Canada to the densely populated summer resorts of their own country.

Norman E. Wilkinson, London, England, inventor of camouflage paintings which was used extensively during the late war, arrived in Canada on the Canadian Pacific liner "Montcalm" with his wife recently, for a tour of the Dominion. Sir Clifford Sifton, prominent Tontonian, and Sir Stephen Pringle, M.L.E.E. famous mineral geologist, also arrived on the same vessel.

Results of Empress High School Examinations

Results of the Empress High School Christmas Examinations are as follows:

Rank	Name	Aggie	Sub. Avg.
1.	Rosa Young	654	8 83
2.	M. Jackson	471	6 79
3.	A. VanCleave	533	7 76
4.	S. McDonald	459	7 70
5.	G. MacDonald	543	8 68
6.	H. Boyd	514	8 64
7.	W. Pawlak	449	7 63
8.	M. Hutchinson	441	7 63
9.	L. Turner	439	7 63
10.	U. Barry	493	8 62
11.	W. Storey	179	3 60
12.	G. Hanna	410	7 59
13.	J. Torry	350	6 58
14.	D. Jackson	464	8 58
15.	P. Farr	347	6 58
16.	M. Arthur	273	4 55
17.	W. Reed	431	8 54
18.	R. Pawlak	494	6 50
19.	W. Saudercock	246	6 41
Not Ranked: N. Boyd.			

School Report for Primary Room

Grades I.A, I.B and II. for the Month of December

Grade II:	Howard Blodgett, 92 per cent.
Grade I.A:	Lona Alton, 86
Grade I.B:	Malcol Langmuir, 86
	Mattie Pawlak, 84
	Jack McNamee, 82
	Marjorie Hurlbut, 81
	Irene Durr, 79
	Wilmer Highmore, 75
	Dorothy Reed, 74
	Janice Crocker, 69
	Geoff Dunn, 69
	Francis Belle, 68
	Arthur Durr, 66
	Ray Horn, 53

Grade I.B:	Ralph Livermore, 88 per cent.
	Frank Oread, 86
	Irene Forsythe, 83
	Harold Frewer, 82
	Gerrine McBetherson, 80
	Norma Livermore, 80
	Lionel Lee, 73
	Dorothy Stubbington, 70
	Violet Durr, 65
	Harvey Boswell, 63

Grade I.A:	Robert Miller, 92 per cent.
	Emilina Durr, 90
	Edna Durr, 78
	John Oread, 76
	Edwin Pawlak, 75
	Annie Smyth, 69
	Kileen Lee, 65
	Dorothy Barry, 63
	Yvonne Stubbington, 59
	Harold Tucker, 53
	Jon Oread, 50

Worship was conducted at the Revs. School last Sunday, by Rev. N. W. Whitmore.

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Curling
Brooms

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Stove-piping and
all Hardware Winter Necessaries. Radios and parts.

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Ratford-Browning

On Thursday, January 6th, Joseph Ratford, widower, of Empress, and Hannah Florence Browning, spinster, of Montreal, were joined together in Holy Matrimony, the ceremony taking place in St. Mary's Church, Rev. J. L. Tatham, performed the ceremony. The witnesses were, Mr. and Mrs. W. Watson. We join with the community in offering our congratulations to the happy couple.

How To Make 1927 Prosperous and Happy

Following is a "prescription" for a happy and prosperous new year, which is recommended in a testimonial from the Alliance Times:

"1926, just passed, was good to nearly everyone in our neighborhood. By hard work, stripping a few cows, slopping a few pigs, setting a few hens and grueling a few chicks kept necessary articles for the household and the farm, pretty well paid up, so that when the crop was ready to market there were not so many debts to look after. This kept the worry bug away, and everybody was more contented."

Officers of Hospital Board

At the Annual Meeting of the Hospital Board, held last Friday in January, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year. President: J. J. Munn. Vice-Pres. D. McEachern. Secretary-Treasurer: J. S. Blodgett. Routine business occupying attention of members.

Costs \$3 A Day Each Patient

Ottawa, Jan. 3.—A statement issued today by the Canadian Tuberculosis Association announces that in a Saskatchewan sanatorium last year 100,000 days treatment were given to tuberculous sufferers at a cost of \$300,000. A study was made and showed that 30 per cent of these people died within three years, 10 per cent became hopeless on admission, and the seventy-five thousand dollars spent making comfortable the sick and preventing the spread of disease, but to have had little curative effect on these hopeless cases.

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Surveyors Work on Bow Slope Branch Line

A C.P.R. survey party from Winnipeg, the headquarters of the construction department, is now located at Brooks. The surveyors under the direction of A. E. Sharpe, leasing engineer, are running the line for the new C. P. R. branch line which will tap the Bow Slope district south of Brooks.

It is expected that after they have surveyed the Bow Slope line the surveyors will start work on the new Gem line, which will branch out from near Rosemary or Countess—Mail, Bassano.

Hospital Notes

Miss Sophie Shubert underwent operation for removal of tonsils, Tuesday.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. A. Chapman, December 30, a daughter.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. C. Haynes, January 8th, a daughter.

Fred. Sandereck was admitted to the hospital on Thursday, at 11:00 a.m. Fred. Sandereck, 105 in all and they were a fine lot. They also sold some birds privately, and in all received about \$950 for their 1925 turkeys.

Baby Edna Leach, who was admitted to the hospital Sunday, suffering from bronchitis pneumonia, is now doing well. Hans Kiersgaard, of Bindloe, was admitted Tuesday to the hospital suffering from bronchitis.

The Lethbridge Herald, in its issue of December 31st, has a full page advertisement of the Baslin Motor Co., and the firm's various departments are enumerated accompanied by the pictures of the department heads. Among these, appear the Duesi Dept., which is in charge of Fred. Ratford, a former Empressite, and the statement is made of having the only fully equipped Duesi Shop in Southern Alberta. Fred gave evidence of his talents as an auto painter and re-finisher while here and the success has achieved is undoubtedly well-merited.

Dr. HOFFER
(Grad. of Pittsburgh)
DENTIST
In London, every Tuesday and Wednesday
Prelate—Monday, Thursday and Friday

Empress Theatre
Friday, January 21st

"Loving
Lies"

Adapted from Peter B. Kyne's story "The Harbor Bar"

A Nautical Story
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MONTE BLUE
Captain of the sea-going tug "Chief."

A story of humor and drama.

Admission, 25c and 50c

Anglican Church

3rd Sunday after the Epiphany, January 23rd.

11:00 a.m. Morning Prayer.

12:15, Sunday School.

Attention is called to the above change in the hour of Sunday services. For us to whom the Lord's Day is the day of worship, it is more fitting to give the earlier and fresher part to Him than to leave our chief Sunday duty to near its end, after we have spent the best part of the day on ourselves. The dark winter nights, snow and ice-covered ground, social and home ties, and other causes make the evening hour inconvenient for many people, and there is reason to hope that the change will be welcome to the majority of the congregation.

In consequence of this change the Sunday School will meet at 12:15, beginning Sunday, January 23rd.

L. J. Tatham,
Priest-in-charge.

Red Deer Advocate: Probably the biggest crop of turkeys ever marketed by a farmer in this district, was sold last week by Mr. and Mrs. J. E. McBride, Waskasoo S.D., when they received a check for \$881 from the Red Deer Co-op. for a wagonload of birds, 105 in all and they were a fine lot. They also sold some birds privately, and in all received about \$950 for their 1925 turkeys.

The warm weather caused a cessation of curling activities at Bassano last week and the ground is reported bare of snow. Like conditions are reported at Medicine Hat. Travelers report no snow until you get twenty-five miles north.

10 p.c.
Reduction
in all lines during
January and February

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ALL Two-Piece Garments
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"THE MEN'S MAN"

NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that, in accordance with the provisions of The Irrigation Act, the undersigned have & of the necessary material and plans required by Section 12 and 13 of the said Act, with the Commissioner of Irrigation, at Calgary, Alta.

The applicants apply for the right to divert sufficient water from Levee No. 1 at a point on the Southwest quarter of section 18, township 22, range 5, west of the 4th meridian, for irrigation purposes, and for the right to construct the necessary works, as shown by the plan attached, for the purpose of diverting water so diverted to the several lands, viz.—Southwest and southeast quarters of said section 18, and the Northwest quarter of said section 18, all in the 10th day of December, 1926.

Clinton A. Jackson and H. P. Green, Applicants.

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Marquis Wheat, Victory and Banner Oats at Reasonable Prices. High germination, clean and true to type.

On account of our supply being rather limited, farmers should order early.

For prices and particulars apply to:

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Problems In The Maritimes

One of the outstanding matters to engage the attention of Parliament at its present session will be the report of the Royal Commission appointed to inquire into the claims of the Provinces of New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island for better terms from the Dominion Government and the initiation of policies designed to overcome many of the difficulties from which that section of the Dominion is suffering.

The report of the Commission was presented to Parliament on the day of evening, while the speech from the Throne, foreboding the introduction of Government legislation dealing with various recommendations contained in the report.

The people of Canada as a whole will be found sympathetic to the taking of any reasonable steps to promote the development and prosperity of the Maritime Provinces and to assist the Provincial Governments and people to solve their most acute problems and overcome their most pressing difficulties. The Western Provinces will be found particularly sympathetic because people have fully realized that the extreme of Confederation are confronted with problems from which the central provinces of Ontario and Quebec are quite free, and which the people there cannot understand and consequently do not appreciate.

Freight rates, for example, have long been a live topic in the West, including not only what have been regarded in many quarters as excessive charges, but complaints that unfair discrimination exists as between East and West in the matter of rates, and as between the rates of rates levied on various commodities. The West has waged a long battle on the subject of freight rates, and the end is not yet, it can be seen, therefore, appreciate the importance of the recommendation made by the Maritime Commission that rates be reduced by 20 per cent on the Atlantic Division of the Canadian National Railway, and that the loss of revenue to the railway be repaid to it out of the Dominion treasury, and that the C.N.R. be reimbursed for the amount advanced in support of this recommendation. It is the fact that the intercolonial railway was built for strategic rather than commercial reasons and as a result it suffers from excessive subsidies.

It, however, special rates are to be established for one section of the Dominion, and the losses to the railways made good by the Dominion as a whole, the door will be opened to demands for like treatment by other sections of the country.

The Commission further recommends substantial increases in the Federal subsidies to the three Maritime Provinces in order to assist those Governments in carrying on their functions and services, and in this connection supports the recommendation that the Maritime Commission be established. It is true the Western Provinces have been treated differently, because all their natural resources have been withheld from them and in fact there are paid each grant, but whether this constitutes a more favorable position is open to debate. However, regarding the subject of Federal subsidies to the three groups of Provinces must, inevitably, lead to a consideration of this question as it affects all Provinces. If the cost of government in the Maritimes is so great, it seems reasonable to suppose that the Dominion Government will at least express an opinion on the advisability of a union of these three small provinces under one Provincial Government.

Recommendations, suggestions, and agreed opinions as to Customs tariff changes designed to benefit the West are undoubtedly cause widespread discussion. A bonus on steel when Canadian steel is used in its manufacture is recommended; an increase in the duty on steel is suggested; a treaty with the United States is advocated providing for the production of Canadian fish and pulp and paper products either from natively in the United States. In fact the report seems to favor a policy of higher duties to Canada, against United States steel and steel lower duties to the United States on Canadian fish and pulp and paper products. It is difficult to see how the Maritimes which it would appear to be rather difficult to get the United States to accept.

In certain other matters, such as, for example, the development and raising of agriculture out of its present depression, and encouragement and cooperation in matters of immigration with the Federal authorities, the Commission makes it clear that the responsibility rests squarely on the Province Governments. Whatever may be the outcome of the Commission's labors, or the nature of the legislation to be passed at Ottawa, it is to be desired that renewed hope, confidence and vision will animate the people of the Province by the sea, and that they will find encouragement in the steps taken in their behalf, in the final analysis, must be solved by the people closely concerned. The people of the west have found this to be true, and they have through their great cooperative enterprises and the application of their own energies succeeded in an amazing extent in bettering their conditions and advancing the development and prosperity of these Western Provinces.

Pays Well For Talent

Artist Gives Program Over Radio

Radio has begun to pay high prices for its talent. Eddie Cantor received \$2,000 for his recent broadcast of twenty minutes, on the radio.

The Broadway Theatre Company which toured the bill, state that they had 25,000 requests for photographs from that group headlining.

The National Broadcasting Company issued a call to Mary Gordon and Will Brown, \$2,500 each for the performance of the orchestra for the opening program.

Thompson: "You on this is your wife and baby?"

Green: "Yes, honey my heart and child."

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Convicts Apply For Patent On Invention

Partners in Crime Display Mechanical Skill in Prison

Starting out as partners in crime and later terminating this life when they fell into the hands of the law, Arthur Williams and Alvin Karpis, who were sentenced to life in the state prison at St. Louis, Mo., have recently applied for a patent on an invention which they call the "Karpis-Kill."

Both men, incidentally, were sentenced to life in the state prison for their part in the kidnapping of a man named John Dillinger.

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Saskatoon Fox Farm

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Considering New Invention

British Admiralty Looking Into Device for Locating Grounded Submarines

The British Admiralty is considering the invention for locating and communicating with submarines that would enable it to use the surface.

The apparatus, the invention of a North country man, consists of a buoy carried by the submarine alongside the conning tower. If the submarine is unable to rise to the surface the buoy can be released, and being filled with compressed air, rises quickly to the surface and floats above the conning tower to which it is attached by a cable.

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French Premier Absent-Minded

Forgets Dinner Engagements and Names of His Foreign Ministers

Monseigneur Dubouché, the Premier of France, is a handsome, amiable man, as well as a statesman, and has a charming personality, but he is absent-minded rather than to his political side. That is his absent-mindedness, some entertaining examples of which are told by the Paris correspondent of the London Sunday Times.

The Premier was recently the principal guest at a political dinner, at the house of one of his friends, and though for half an hour, nobody was surprised at the delay, for the Premier's idiosyncrasies are well known. But notwithstanding the delay, the Premier's absent-mindedness was revealed that he began the short journey an hour before. A manuscript, which was down at an hour later, a telephone call to his official residence revealed that he had begun the short journey an hour before. A manuscript, which was down at an hour later, a telephone call to his official residence revealed that he had begun the short journey an hour before.

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Government To Make New Appointments To Fill Existing Vacancies

Ottawa—Official announcement of a number of appointments by the Government to existing vacancies will, it is understood, be announced shortly.

Right Hon. George P. Graham, chairman of the tariff advisory board, will, it is stated, be appointed to the senate in succession to the late Senator, Richard Blain, formerly of Brampton, Ont., who died a few weeks ago.

W. H. Gault, barrister, Toronto, will, it is rumored, be appointed to the vacant Ontario vacancy in the red chamber, succeeding the late Senator George McNeill, formerly of Lindsay, Ont.

W. D. Ross, Toronto, is mentioned as the probable selection for the post of Lieutenant-governor of the Northwest Territories. Mr. Ross's term expired recently, although his tenure of office was extended for a short time by the government pending the appointment of a successor.

Donat Raymond, Montreal, will, it is reported, be appointed to one of the Quebec vacancies in the Senate. Two names are associated with the other appointments in the red chamber for the province of Quebec, there is Tremblay, Montreal, and J. E. Prevost, Liberal member for Terrebonne.

E. A. Lapierre, Liberal member for Nipissaw, will, it is stated in highly informed parliamentary circles, shortly enter the King Government as minister without portfolio. There is a possibility, though, that official announcement of Mr. Lapierre's appointment may be slighted until after the election of Dr. Ross.

The elevation of Dr. Ross, George P. Graham to the senate would leave a vacancy on the tariff advisory board. It is rumored that C. M. Jordan, now of Kitchener, Ont., who set in the Ontario Legislature as a Liberal member for many years, may be appointed as chairman of the board.

King Accepts "Empire" Christmas Pudding

Ingredients Have All Been Supplied
by British Dominion

London—His Majesty the King has accepted an "Empire" Christmas pudding, the ingredients of which are solely of an empire nature and are recommended to the public by the Empire Marketing Board Christmas puddings generally. The donors of the pudding are especially interested in the Empire day movement.

The King's pudding consists of Canadian flour, Australian and South African raisins, Australian suet, and currants, Canadian sugar, Dutch and Swedish beef, eggs, English apples, English eggs, Indian spices and Jamaica rum.

New Minister to U.S.
Ottawa—Honorable Vincent Massey, Canada's minister to the United States, will be expected to leave for his post in Washington some time late in January. Mr. Massey has been in Ottawa for several days and it is understood he has been arranging details of the Washington legation with the department of external affairs.

Railway Commissioners Refuse Application For Coal Rates Hearing

Ottawa—The refusal of railway commissioners has retarded the application of Alberta and Ontario in an early date for the hearing of the coal rates case, whereby the two provinces asked for early consideration of the British rates on Alberta coal compared with the rates on coal from the East. If later developments indicate a great increase in this matter, the board may reconsider its ruling, it was announced.

Chief Commissioner McKewen announced that after carefully weighing the pros and cons the board was unable to find sufficient reason for stopping the general freight rates investigation, now under way, which had already been in progress for a year and a half. He was not unmoved by the argument that legislation at the present session might be expected to place the board on a permanent basis. He stated that the board might be asked to consider the application, but the question further consideration would be refused.

Toronto—When informed that the board of railway commissioners at Ottawa had refused the application of Al-

The Christmas Tree

Custom Apparently Originated in Germany in the Seventeenth Century

London—The origin of the Christmas tree is said to centre on the union of two elements—the old Roman custom of decking houses with branches and green trees at the Kalends of January, and the popular belief that every Christmas, all apple and other trees blossomed and bore fruit.

In England there is an old belief in tree blossoming at Christmas connected with the well-known legend of St. Nicholas of Myra. When the saint settled at Gastonbury, he planted his tree in the earth and it put forth leaves, blossoms, and bore fruit every Christmas day.

The first historical mention of the Christmas tree is found in notes of a wealthy Strasbourg citizen of unknown name written in the year 1665. "At Christmas," he writes, "they set up a tree in the parlour and on it hang many coloured papers, apples, wafers, gold balls and sweets."

The Christmas tree was introduced into France in 1810. In 1830 between 30,000 and 50,000 are said to have been sold in Paris.

King Edward I. is alleged to have introduced the custom to England in 1290, but its use did not become all general until 1840 when Queen Victoria Prince Albert had a Christmas tree.

The original Christmas tree was intended to be a thing of beauty and splendour, a thing of wonder, shining with countless lights and glittering ornaments, with elfin and glimmering fountains of silver. No gifts were hung from the branches. These were laid apart upon a table.

Divorce News Banned

Newspapers of Great Britain Not Permitted to Publish Details

London—Newspapers of Great Britain in the immediate future will be prohibited the publication of details of divorces and other matrimonial court cases as soon as the King carries out the formality of signing a bill which bans it. King George V. is in Paris.

The bill as adopted by the House of Commons is expected to pass in the near future. It provides that the proprietor, editor, master printer or publisher of any offending paper will be liable to four months' imprisonment and a fine of £500. The House of Lords inserted an amendment to strengthen the power of legal pleading. This amendment was accepted by the Commons yesterday.

Christmas Gifts of Coal

London—Christmas gifts of coal will be added to the usual revenue, because given by King George V. to many of his subjects at Windsor. The gifts of coal had been discontinued last year, but the announcement, issued at Buckingham palace, to the effect that all poor persons who passed on Christmas Eve and lived 12 months or longer at Windsor would receive this additional gift.

Famous Men Dreamer Dies

Paris—Jean Philippe Worth, famous as a dressmaker for women, is dead at the age of 70. Mr. Worth succeeded his father, Charles-Frédéric Worth, founder of the house of Worth, and the creator of the couture industry in France.

Like the Treasure Ship of Olden Times, full fraught with Precious Things, so may Christmas and the New Year Come to You Laden With all That Will Make for Your Happiness and Contentment

—Advertisement for a Christmas tree—

Foresee Increase in British Immigration

Applications Already Received Nearly Double Those of Last Year

London—Immigration from Britain to Canada next year will show a record increase, in the opinion of J. Bruce Walker.

The applications already received for double those for the corresponding period of last year, and although many may not fulfil the qualifications demanded and therefore must be eliminated, there is no doubt that the situation believes that the net result will be a tremendous increase in immigration.

Mr. Bruce Walker refuses to estimate the actual numbers, saying it is impossible to do so at present but expresses himself as being very pleased with the prospects, particularly with regard to family emigration. It is obvious also that the coal mines will never be able to absorb the 300,000 men who are now out of employment, and this should serve to stimulate immigration.

Large Sums For Pensions

\$23,065,471 Paid Out for Year Ending March Last

Ottawa—The fiscal liability of the Dominion Government under the pensions act (Great War) has increased in the past year to \$23,065,471, the report of the board of pension commissioners, tabled in the House of Commons, shows. This is an increase over the amount of the year before of about \$1,500,000. This increase, the report says, arose from new regulations.

The total number of disability pensions to war veterans was 46,335 at the end of last March, and the number of pensions to dependents of disabled members of the force 29,065.

The great majority of the disability pensions lie in Canada. The pensions issued by provinces include: Saskatchewan, 2,277; Alberta, 2,645; British Columbia, 5,215.

Xmas Or Christmas

Campaign Started in New York to Eliminate Use of Xmas

New York—Young Americans may not mind whether it is spelled "Xmas" or "Christmas," so long as Santa Claus makes his annual visit with toys and goodies, but a campaign has started to eliminate the use of Xmas as being contrary to the reverence due to the word.

Several clergymen will speak against the use of the abbreviated word from their pulpits in this city and there will be radio addresses to the same purpose. The sponsors of the move hold that Xmas has a "silly" tendency to destroy the beautiful thoughts in connection with Christmas as well as to bring the name of Christ to the very brink of contempt.

Quintin Hays and William T. Manning were named as clergymen who have endorsed the campaign.

Will Meet February 10

Edmonton—The Alberta Legislature will meet February 10. This date has been definitely fixed by the government with a provision that it may be postponed one week. It conditions that the session may be postponed if necessary. Preparations will be made at once for the earlier date and notices will be sent members in the next session.

Offers \$100,000 Prize

New York—William Laurence, a chemist, recently New York municipal health officer, has offered \$100,000 in prizes to the person or group devising means of controlling and preventing cancer.

Saskatchewan Publicity Chief

W. F. Kerr, Saskatchewan Red Cross commissioner for several years, has resigned that post to accept the position of commissioner of the Bureau of Publications for the Provincial Government. He succeeds W. McLeod, present commissioner, who goes to Winnipeg at the first of the new year as publicity man for the public works board.

Previous to taking over the Red Cross commissariat, Mr. Kerr was editor of The Regina Leader for 20 years. His first newspaper work in Western Canada, was with the Free Press in Winnipeg. He left that paper when night editor to accept the editorial chair of The Leader. The new commissioner of publications will begin his new duties January 1.

Demand For Flax Straw

Minnesota Factories Looking to Saskatchewan and Manitoba for Supply

Regina—Flax straw is now in considerable demand in the United States, and there is good prospect of Saskatchewan farmers finding a market for their flax straw, according to word received by Thomas A. Schenck, general agricultural agent for the C.P.R. from the Minneapolis General Agent, and passed along by Mr. Schenck to F. H. Auld, deputy minister of agriculture for Saskatchewan.

Like Minnesota concerns, the Flaxmill Insulating Company, and the Minneapolis Manufacturing Company, are finding the local flax straw supply insufficient, and are extending their purchases into Manitoba and Saskatchewan, and Mr. Auld suggests that farmers who have flax straw should hold their stocks of it for a while.

Proposes New Title For British Parliament

Choice of Premier Baldwin Will Be Submitted For Approval

London—Premier Baldwin told the House of Commons that when the House was introduced to consider the contemplated change in the King's title to be effected, the Government would be especially anxious to propose the title of Parliament in the future be "The Parliament of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland."

Asked whether the same style and title would apply to the King, the Premier said he must have further notice before replying.

German Monarchists Charged With Building Up A Secret Army

Berlin—Charges made in the Reichstag that a secret monarchist military circle is building up a huge illegal reserve army in Germany with munitions and aeroplanes landed in Germany and Russia forced the monarchist coalition cabinet of Chancellor Marx.

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Customs Investigation Is To Be Resumed At Vancouver on Jan. 19th

Home Grown Christmas Gifts

Suggestion Is Made as a Means of Promoting Trade

Ottawa—As a means of promoting trade between Canada and other quarters of the British Empire, the federal department of the Interior is urging that "home-grown products make excellent Christmas gifts."

In this connection the head of the New Zealand dairy produce board, which suggested to citizens of that dominion that they send New Zealand butter to friends in Great Britain as a present, is being followed. Four-pound cans are specified by the produce board, and a depot has been established so that those who wish to follow the suggestion may send their money and the name and address to which they wish the parcel sent, and all the details are attended to without further trouble to them. The idea is that for exporters and much valuable publicity will have been created, without extra cost to the natives.

The natural resources intelligence service of the Canadian department of the Interior pointed out that the suggestion might well be copied by individual Canada, since probably no other dominion has more distinctive natural products. Canadian dairy products are rated as high as those of New Zealand, while their apples, maple sugar products and furs are possibly in a class by themselves.

Uses Wireless To Send Christmas Gift

How Man in Far North Solved His Problem

Winnipeg—The use of wireless in bringing Canada's Northland closer to civilization has been demonstrated here by a member of the staff of Fort Smith, 720 miles north of Edmonton, solved the problem of how to have a Christmas gift to his Saskatchewan friends.

He used the wireless and sent a message to a Winnipeg Jew and inside of 18 hours the Christmas gifts are packed and on their way to the Saskatchewan frontier. The message was relayed via the Government wireless station at Edmonton and the gifts were delivered to the recipient.

Will Train Reserve Pilots

Royal Canadian Air Force Makes Arrangement With Universities

Ottawa, Ont.—Steps are being taken by the Royal Canadian Air Force to ensure a reserve of pilots in the future. An arrangement between the air force and Canadian universities has been completed according to the annual report of the department, whereby universities are to act for the air force in training students. These students are to be drawn from those in the first year of science and engineering. In the summer months the students are to be sent to the air force at Camp Borden, Ontario. The flying course is to consist of 2 terms of four months duration. When the course is completed the students are to be sent to the R.C.A.F. for active duty, or may be called upon to serve 20 days in every two years, or may be placed on the reserve list.

Made in Christmas Trees

Vancouver—During the last week of November more than 7,000 evergreen trees were shipped from Vancouver Island to the hinterland of the southwestern United States for the Christmas trade.

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Fireside Canoeing

Many Are Now Making Plans for Next Summer's Trip

Now that the streams and lakes are frozen over, canoe and paddles stored in winter quarters, the river popular sport of "Fireside Canoeing" engages the attention of the ardent paddler. Maps and descriptions of routes are carefully studied and many are the plans for next summer's trip made and rejected until finally the "one" trip is decided upon and the mind is bent to its accomplishment.

The western provinces are famous for their fields of waving grain but they also possess many rippling lakes and streams for the canoeist. The region to the north of Lake Winnipeg promises much to the explorer, while from McArthur to The Pas is the route via the Churchill river which traverses Alberta and Saskatchewan to the Manitoba boundary, over several miles eastward to Port Nelson and Hudson Bay. Another long trip is the one originating at Prince George in British Columbia, and following the Peace and other rivers to the town of Peace River. This journey of over five hundred miles can be accomplished with a minimum of expenditure and a maximum of joyous outdoor activity.

The splendor of the Canadian Rockies is presented on many of the canoe routes in British Columbia. On the Columbia river trips and others, the canoeist sees many interesting and unusual sights, as the game and other animals are particularly characteristic of the province. Canoes may be taken where canoeing is not an affair or such trips may be chosen as the Stuart, Taku and Babine lake trip or the "Great Circle" which winds the Willamette and Tetchuck lakes where the paddler of the white man has as yet, rarely been dipped.

Cruising by canoe within the Arctic Circle is an experience vouchsafed to few; still the route from Melville Sound to Port Vinton, approximately 1,000 miles, by the Healy, Inuit and Pequot rivers, apart from the merit of the trip itself, serves to illustrate the poverty and variety of canoe routes in the Dominion.

Canoes, supplies, and equipment for enjoying the pleasures of these trips can be secured from reliable sources at the starting point, or within a reasonable distance. Courteous and experienced guides are available for the district one intends to visit, and the securing of one familiar with the country serves to mitigate the hardships and possible dangers of some of the routes. Maps and reports on the various routes, may be secured from the Natural Resources Department of the Interior, Ottawa. Indeed, the above department maintains a service for canoeists, unique both in character and comprehensiveness. A fund of information on camping, canoeing, fishing, hunting and outdoor recreation, has been secured from various sources and descriptions and maps have been compiled for the canoe routes mentioned above and many others. There are available for the canoeist seeking information on his next summer's cruise. If it doubt as to where to go, an inquiry addressed to this Service will bring material for any "Fireside Cruisers" that may eventually develop into a real cruise along some of Canada's wonderful lake-and-waterways.

Forget How To Fly

American Eagles in Vienna Zoo Gazed Too Long

The only American eagle in Vienna, have forgotten how to fly. Two of them and other members of the family have been kept for years in small cages at the former Imperial Zoo in Schoenbrunn gardens.

Though the birds were favorites of the Hapsburgs, whose emblem was the black double eagle, it remained for the Republican regime to take pity on them and build a large house, allowing them access to the sky. But once there and culture entered their new home and flapped their wings weakly and awkwardly, but were unable to take advantage of their liberty. Some of them were born in captivity.

Toronto to Have Big Hotel

Toronto is to have an \$8,000,000 hotel, according to the "Financial Post." It will have a thousand rooms. The venture is promoted by Canadian interests and a New York syndicate, headed by the Equitable Trust Co., and Edmund Raymond & Co. are absorbing the first mortgage bonds.

"How's your boy John doing at school?"

"He's doing pretty well with the three R's."

"Readin', ridin' and 'rithmetic'?"

"No, rulin', rulin' and rulin'."

The silent watches of the night must be those to forget to wind.

Institutional Farm Crops

Photo in Saskatchewan Had Largest Harvest in Their History

The institutional farms of the Province of Saskatchewan in the year 1925 harvested the largest crop in their history, states Mr. C. M. Learmonth, superintendent. More attention is paid to the growing of necessary coarse grains than the production of large quantities of wheat. What is a marketable commodity of which very little can be used with the exception of the crop at the Mental Hospital, North Battleford, where it can be utilized, the institution using the flour and the farm the bran and shorts. From this farm a sample of Marquis wheat was exhibited at the Chicago International show and secured fourth place, ranking eighth with the exhibit from Saskatchewan. Altogether there were 225 acres of wheat yielding 8,852 bushels as against 327 acres yielding 5,666 bushels in 1924; 903 acres of oats, yielding 60,757 bushels as compared with 1,428 acres yielding 22,720 in 1924. A large crop of potatoes, 21,616 bushels, was harvested from 101 acres, as compared with 15 acres in 1924. No hard and fast rotation of crops has as yet been laid down for these farms, but the time has arrived when a crop rotation is allowed that will prove the most beneficial at each point and meet the various requirements.

Hear Ancient Ceremony

Locking Tower of London for Night Heard by Radio Fans

Millions of radio listeners throughout the British Isles heard the "Great Circle" ceremony of the Tower of London the ceremony of the keys—a ceremony which has been performed nightly for well-nigh 700 years. The ceremony is the formal locking of the fortress until the morning. Prisoners of war are taken to the Tower and a formal meeting of the morning with the executioner and his aid on Tower Green, heard it the voices of the Hymns and of "Misty Mary."

This ancient ceremony was heard by listeners in around firesides from coast to coast in England. In order to secure adequate reception, six microphones were especially installed at the tower.

Judging Prize Grain

Only That Which is Valuable for Seeding Can Qualify

In judging seed grain the judges constantly in mind those factors which go to make grain of great value for seeding purposes. He must have a mind a clear definition of what good seed grain really is. This may be defined as grain which is free from seeds of weeds as well as other kinds and varieties of cultivated plants, and from all its immature; it should be bright, free from mateness, of reasonably good color, plump and uniform in size; it should be free from dust and free from extraneous matter; other crops, and should show no signs of disease.

Artificial Light For Plant Growth

Flowers and Vegetables Grow at Twice Ordinary Rate by Artificial Light

Artificial light can be used to grow flowers and vegetables at twice the ordinary rate of growth, R. L. Zalouzi, an illuminating engineer, has demonstrated to delegates attending the New Jersey State Horticultural society convention at Atlantic City. "Of course," Zalouzi added, "plants require a real period, just as men and animals." He advises artificial light be supplied for only a few hours each night—five hours was suggested.

Rivals For World Trade

The United States and Great Britain, easily the two most important trade equipment producers, are at it again and tuck for world trade supremacy. United States radio exports during 1925 totaled \$9,962,857, while the British exports were valued at \$4,895,232. The principal markets of the United States were, oddly enough, Canada, Latin America and Asia. The United Kingdom led in sales to Europe, Oceania, and Africa.

How Christmas Tree Originated

The Christmas tree, which has become an almost universal symbol, and is by most persons supposed to have originated in Germany, seems to have had something of a counterpart in Egypt at a period long before the Christian Era. The palm tree, which is in fact a cactus, was cut every month, and a spray of this tree with twelve shoots on it, was used in Egypt at the time of the winter solstice, as a symbol of the year completed.

The inside of the stomach has been actually photographed for the first time by a German doctor.

Biographers Confused Brothers

Prevailing Impression of Edgar Allan Poe Is False

A false impression of the life of Edgar Allan Poe prevails in the national mind as the result of biographers confusing his life with that of a little known brother. It is contended by Harvey Allen and Thomas C. Mahabiet in a biography of William Henry Leonard Poe, the brother, to be published soon. Henry Poe, as the authors call him, was born in Boston in 1807. He died in 1831. He was Edgar's elder by two years. The authors do not find confusion in the general character of the brothers due to alleged composite pictures in previous biographers' writings, for they assert the brothers were much alike, but they perceive a confusion of the brothers' experiences. "Henry," they say, "is known to have been rather wild, to have early developed the fondness for drink, to have been fond of female society—and to have died young. That last must also have possessed a considerable charm, not a little talent, a somewhat precocious development and a vivid imagination—that little we have from his immature pen seems clearly to indicate."

Even Henry's physical appearance was much like that of Edgar, but he was a little taller. He wrote some poetry, was often called in the "poet" or "poetess" to a merchantant, and suffered from melancholy and died early of tuberculosis.

Cannot Save Much

Average American Family Has Annual Income of \$5,113

The average American family has an income of \$5,113 annually, and it takes all but 17% of that amount to support it. Miss Iva S. Libman, a food specialist of Mundie, Indiana told the American Farm Bureau federation at Chicago.

Miss Libman based her figure on a survey of 25,000 typical homes revealing that the average family of 4.8 persons required an annual budget of \$11,714.

Plagued the Blame!—Professor, And did I make my plan? Fresh—"No, God did that."

It is sometimes easier to keep out of the matrimonial harness than it is to get out.

Discovery Of Lake Winnipeg

First Reference to This Body of Water Was Made in The Year 1640

When did white men first hear of the existence of Lake Winnipeg; who was the first white man to discover it; and who the first to gaze upon its expanse of waters? According to the Geographic Board of Canada, European journals of the existence of the lake about one hundred years before the date on which it is known as a white man visited it. The lake became known to the Jesuit missionaries from the reports of roving Indians belonging to tribes living upon its shores. In the report sent home to France of the happenings of the year 1640, there is a reference to the "Ouinipic" or "dirty people," the name because the word "Ouinipic" is generally taken to refer to the turbid appearance of the lake after a storm.

The first person to give a correct description of the lake is the Canadian-born Nicolas Jeremie, who spent twenty years at York Factory on Hudson Bay and published, at Amsterdam in 1720, an account of his experiences. Jeremie never ventured inland from Hudson Bay, but has left excellent descriptions of the Nelson, Hayes, and Churchill rivers and their tributaries. Lake Winnipeg he refers to as "Michilic" or "the water because it is the largest and deepest of the lakes of that chain. Jeremie also refers to lake Winnipeg, calling it "Ouinipic" or "dirty water."

The first white man actually known to have visited lake Winnipeg was also Canadian-born. This was Jean Baptiste de la Verendrye, who in 1724 founded Fort Maurepas on the right bank of Winnipeg river near its mouth in lake Winnipeg.

Predicts Cold Winter

Herbert Maxwell Brown, long range weather forecaster, has predicted that this winter will be one of the most severe ever experienced on the North American continent, and that next summer will "parallel the summer of 1816." His predictions were based on solar radiation, and the amount of heat absorbed by ocean currents, he explained.

Did Not Recognize Princess

Fairy Book Description Not Lived Up To by Irene of Prussia

Princesses do not always bear a royal aspect, particularly to children eyes. Princess Irene of Russia found this out in an amusing experience while attending a meeting at Kiel, of the Fatherland Women's Club, of which she is president. Little Hannelore Bussen, a pretty four-year-old daughter of a school teacher, was selected to present a bunch of roses to the royal visitor. But when the blue-eyed, golden haired maid tripped over to the Princess to make the presentation she astounded the company exclaiming: "You are no Princess," and walked back across the room with the roses still in her hand. "I thought Princesses always wore a crown and an ermine robe; all my fairy-tale books say so," the disillusioned little maid murmured after she had finally been persuaded from the room by the bouquet to the guest of honor.

Turkish Tobacco Grown In Alberta

Said to Be Better Quality Than Grown in Turkey or Greece

Turkish tobacco, grown in Alberta, is better than that grown in Turkey or Greece, according to a Mr. Baker, of Edmonton, who grew 1,000 pounds as an experiment this season. He plotted out three-quarters of an acre to ten varieties of tobacco seed. The crop was harvested prior to the coming of frost, and of the ten varieties, Turkish, White, Harlow and Oxford were the best. Next year Mr. Baker plans to lay out eight acres to the fragment plant.

Alberta Wheat Acreage

The area sown to wheat in Alberta has increased more than 1,000,000 acres in the last five years, according to the Provincial Department of Agriculture. "Wheat acreage amounted to 6,665,698 in 1925," says the bulletin, "compared with 4,855,847 in 1921. Yield of wheat rose from 22,569,000 bushels in 1921 to 112,465,000 bushels this year. The higher production is due to the influx of new settlers, mainly American farmers."

American firms will be barred from taking part in a recent Canadian picture merger carry. Only firms of Italian manufacture will be shown.

Splendid Work Of Red Cross Society

Carried on so Quietly Extent is not Realized

One of the finest international organizations of the world, an organization which has the aptitude of carrying on its work with so little flagging and publicity that its extent is not generally realized, is the Red Cross. The splendid work of which, was brought before the public in the reports of the Central Council of the Canadian Red Cross, which held its annual meeting in Toronto recently. Much of man's progress mentally, spiritually and commercially, in dependence on a sound physique and good health, a fact which is recognized in this organization. Its work in war time has placed it in the annals of heroic history, but no less significant is the story of its achievements and its purposes in times of peace.

The Canadian Red Cross Society in 1867, to look after the sick and wounded on battlefields, the society is now recognized as one of the greatest social and welfare organizations for the prevention of disease and the comfort of ex-soldiers and all who need assistance. The Red Cross Society is even recognized as such by the Council of the League of Nations, and Major Ivor, Article XXV, of which reads: "The Red Cross Society of the League agree to encourage and promote the establishment and cooperation of fully authorized voluntary national Red Cross organizations having as purposes the improvement of health, the prevention of disease and the alleviation of suffering throughout the world."

Canadian Tree Seeds

Seeds From British Columbia Are Sent to Great Britain and New Zealand

One of the many interesting activities of the Canadian Forestry Department of the Interior, Canada, is the collection and exportation of tree seeds. Four special seed-extraction plants have been opened in the western provinces for the purpose of securing seeds from the cones of coniferous trees. During the season of 1925-26 these four plants extracted twenty-five hundredweight of seeds. Large quantities of seed are supplied to the Forestry Commission of New Zealand for use in carrying out the program of reforesting upland lands in Great Britain. Seed has also been shipped to the Forestry Commission of New Zealand for use in reforestation program in that Dominion. In the latter connection it is interesting to note that the New Zealand Forest Service is headed by a Canadian who received his forestry training in Canada.

Shallow And Deep Ploughing

Gives as Large a Yield of Oats as Deep Ploughing

Shallow ploughing during four years at the Central Experimental Farm, Ottawa, has given as large a yield of oats and oats as has deep ploughing. It is necessary, however, says the Dominion Field Husbandman in his annual report for 1925, to use deep ploughing, to turn all the land to and cut and cover all the weeds. A table in the report shows that at four inches deep on light soil the yield of oats after 1920 averaged 21.71 tons and of oats after 1921 20.62 bushels. At seven inches deep the average of oats was 21.65 tons and of oats 21.65 bushels. Last year was especially good for oats after corn, the yield at four inches being 25.5 bushels and at seven inches 28.5 bushels.

Burbank's Birthday Greeting

The very beautiful greeting which the late Luther Burbank sent to his friends on his last birthday has been published in many of the newspapers published in the English language. It reads as follows: "As you hold loving thoughts towards every person and animal, and as you love flowers, plants, stars, oceans, rivers and hills, and as you are helpful and of service to the world, as you will find yourself growing more happy each day, and with the happiness comes health and every thing you want."

Turn Plagues to Useful Purpose

The severe plagues of locusts that swept farms in Argentina for several years have been converted into a useful purpose—fertilizer. A British firm recently advised Argentina that it was prepared to purchase large quantities of the locusts to use as fertilizer. It is claimed the bodies of locusts contained a high percentage of nitrogen, phosphoric acid and potash.

"Has he ever been on Government work before?" the manager asked the friend of the locusts.

"Very nearly," was the reply.

"What do you mean by very nearly?"

"You see, there weren't quite enough evidence to convict him."



The new Dunblane Bridge which spans the North Saskatchewan River near Dunblane, Sask., has been completed and is officially opened on November 15th. The event was one of the most notable in the history of the province and was celebrated by more than one thousand business men from the cities of Regina, Moose Jaw, and Saskatoon. In the opening ceremonies His Honor Lord Governor H. W. Nicholls, Honorable J. G. Gardiner, Premier of Saskatchewan, and Sir Henry Thornton, chairman and president of the National Railways, took principal parts.

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C. U. Jensen, returned on
Monday.

Harold Boyd has been con-
fined to the house with "Flu."

Nurse Barrett, returned from
Calgary, on Wednesday.

Mrs. D. Lush, is still confined
to the house with influenza.

J. N. Anderson, spent a couple
of days at Bindloss, this
week.

Frank Sibley, is on the sick
list and has been forced to quit
work, this week.

An Empress rink composed
of W. Leach, I. Clark, W. C.
Boyd and J. Guy are visiting at
Lender, today.

The regular meeting of St.
Mary's Guild, will be held on
Tuesday evening, January 18,
at 8.15, at the home of Mrs.
Manning.

The Women's Missionary So-
ciety of the United Church of
Canada, are doing a great
work throughout the world.
The Minister on Sunday even-
ing will describe some of their
activities.

J. N. Anderson, received
word this week, of the death
of his uncle, Wm. Anderson, at
Red Wing, Minn. The deceased
was interviewed in the Union
Stonewares Co., his death oc-
curred on New Year's day.

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J. A. Emery, of Cavendish,
was in town Friday night, for
medical attention.

Over a hundred and twenty-
five local school pupils were
inoculated with Scarlet Fever
Toxoid, on Friday last.

Mr. Moscop, of Buffalo, is an
inmate of the hospital, suffer-
ing from influenza.

Mr. Langmuir, our local milk-
man, has been on the sick list
during the past week, and con-
fined to the house; Albert Boyd
has deputized for him in the
meantime.

The regular monthly meet-
ing of the W.M.S. will be held
at the home of Mrs. M. G.
Boyd, on Wednesday afternoon
January 19th at 3 o'clock.

Keep Tuesday, January 25th,
in mind,—"Bobbie Burns" night
at the United Church. Full
announcement next week.

Forks School

If roads remain open, and no
storms prevent, public worship
will be held next Sunday at
Forks School at two o'clock
sharp. Everybody invited.
N. W. Whitmore, Minister.

R. M. of Mantario

Minutes of Meeting of Mon-
day, January 3rd, 1927, at
Trowley School, N.-W. 9, 25, 58,
w. of 3, at 10 a.m. Present:
Reeve Rivers; Couns. Kinch,
Douglas, Batty, Austrum, Ed-
wards and Walker.

Minutes of previous meeting
read and confirmed on motion
of C. Walker.

Mineral claims patented
reverted to the Crown.—1. Aus-
trum.—Whereas former occu-
pants of Crown Lands, which
have been, or in future may be
annulled by the Department of
the Interior, may file claims for
improvements made by them
while residing on the said lands
which they have since vacated
or otherwise abandoned, and
such claims may be collected
from a new entrant upon such
lands.

And whereas, in many cases,
there are also claims of the

Federal Government against
such lands, for Feed, Seed and
Relief Advances, which are
also collectable from a new en-
trant upon said lands;

And whereas the former oc-
cupants, during the period in
which they resided on the lands,
have had provided for them,
Schools, Hospitals, Roads and
other conveniences, towards
which, in most cases, they
have contributed little or
nothing, as there are generally
heavy arrears of taxes stand-
ing against the lands, which
are automatically can-
celled, when such lands revert
to the Crown, with the result
that the former entrant's share
of the cost of such schools and
other public utilities falls upon
the remaining ratepayers of
the Municipality.

And whereas the only com-
pensation to such remaining
ratepayers would be the im-
mediate re-settlement of such
lands into other entrants, so that
the lands could again become
taxable;

And whereas there are a con-
siderable number of available
settlers who would file on such
lands were it not for the afore-
said claims which they would
have to pay;

Now, therefore, this Council
of the Rural Municipality of
Mantario No. 262, in regular
meeting assembled, respectfully
recommends to the Department
of the Interior, that the regu-
lations as to entry in respect of
such lands should be modified,
and that where a former en-
trant has vacated his holding
and left the district and aban-
doned the land to go back out of
cultivation, his claim for im-
provements should be cancelled,
his former occupancy of the
land, the crops which he raised
while here, and the use of the
schools, roads, hospitals, and
other public utilities, being con-
sidered sufficient compensation
for such improvements as may
remain upon the land;

And that, in order to facili-
tate the re-settlement of the
Municipality in which now
large areas are now entirely
vacant, the Federal Govern-
ment should agree with the en-
trants that, on completion of

the duties and the issue of pat-
ent, the claim for seed, feed
and relief of the Federal Gov-
ernment, in respect of the form

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or entrant, should be cancelled.

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lution be forwarded to the Min-
ister of the Interior, Hon. Chas.
Dunning, Hon. W. R. Mother-
well, Hon. Robert Forke and
Premier Gardiner, of Saskatch-
ewan.—Carried unanimously.

2. Batty.—That R. M. Man-
tario No. 262, appoint a Com-
mittee to co-operate with the R.
M. of Milton and R. M. An-
telope Park to bring before the
Assessment Commission, joint-
ly the question of the over-
assessment of lands in the re-
spective Municipalities, and
that the matter be also taken

up with Mr. R. R. Nichol of the
C.N.R., subject to the consent
of the other Municipalities nam-
ed, asking his co-operation in
bringing the matter before the
Commission. That any travel-
ling expenses incurred by the
Secretary in preparing the ne-
cessary data be paid. That

Coun. Walker and the Sec.
Treas. be the Committee, and
that it be left with them to
make all the necessary ar-
rangements, both with the oth-
er Municipalities and also with
the Assessment Commission.
(continued next week)

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" " " " 5.00	- sale, 3.00
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French-Canadian Chanson Has New Lease of Life



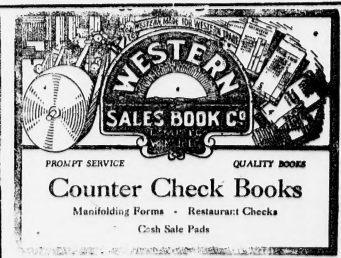
1. Charles Marchand, well known French-
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ion breakers high at many a difficult task.
3. Singing and paddling went well together.

created by the lumbermen and habi-
tants; for music is a living art in
French Canada.
—Only within recent years have we
begun to realize how rich is the
treasury of lovely melodies associated
with the folk songs of Canada. Thanks
to men like Charles Marchand, inter-
preter of the French-Canadian
"chansons", these folk songs have
come on new life, and before long
they will be available for the English-
speaking population of Canada,
owing to the efforts of John Murray
Gibson, whose translations will be
published in book form early in the
year.

With the idea of popularizing the
English version and thereby bringing
about a closer understanding between
the French and English elements of
Canada, Mr. Marchand is at present
making a transcontinental concert
tour under the auspices of the National
Council of Education.

Perhaps the only part of the North
American continent that possesses
an authentic collection of folk-
songs is the province of Quebec. Four
hundred years ago when the first
French explorers and settlers came to
the shores of the St. Lawrence many
of these songs were on their lips and
in their hearts and they have never
died out. It is to the honor of the
French-Canadian race that they have

never been allowed to fade from the
remembrance of the people, nor has
the flood of ephemeral and rubbishy
popular songs of the day over-
whelmed them. Originally sung at the
court of the French monarchs, they
were passed on from father to son, and
were brought with the early settlers
from France to Canada. And as the
years have passed the old ballads
have been supplemented by new ones



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